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IMMEDIATE RELEASE

AIR FREIGHT UP 15.7% IN APRIL

WASHINGTON, D.C., May 29 — Air freight increased 15.7 percent in April, compared with April a year ago, and was up 10.8 percent in the first four months of this year for the 22 airlines reporting cargo data to the Air Transport Association, the ATA reported today.

Domestic air freight in April rose 10.9 percent. Mail registered a gain of 2.0 percent. Total domestic cargo, including freight and mail, increased 8.6 percent.

International air freight of U.S. carriers in April was up 22.2 percent. Mail increased by 2.2 percent, and total cargo rose 19.5 percent.

In the first four months of this year, domestic air freight had a gain of 6.8 percent. Mail registered a slight increase of 0.3 percent, and total cargo was up 5.1 percent.

The U.S. airlines international freight during the first four months of 1986 rose 16.2 percent. Mail was up 1.3 percent, and total cargo increased 14.2 percent.

CARGO FLOWN IN SCHEDULED DOMESTIC AND INTERNATIONAL SERVICE

U.S. AIRLINE INDUSTRY

REVENUE TON-MILES
(In Thousands)

		DOMESTIC OPERATIONS			INTERNATIONAL OPERATIONS			TOTAL	TOTAL
		FREIGHT	MAIL	TOTAL	FREIGHT	MAIL	TOTAL	FREIGHT	CARGO
APRIL	1986	312,283	100,412	412,695	255,790	33,621	289,411	568,073	702,106
APRIL	1985	281,507	98,439	379,946	209,270	32,900	242,170	490,777	622,116
PERCENT CHANGE		10.9	2.0	8.6	22.2	2.2	19.5	15.7	12.9
4 MONTHS	1986	1,190,990	390,812	1,581,802	969,280	134,938	1,104,218	2,160,270	2,686,020
4 MONTHS	1985	1,115,573	389,504	1,505,077	834,023	133,166	967,189	1,949,596	2,472,266
PERCENT CHANGE		6.8	0.3	5.1	16.2	1.3	14.2	10.8	8.6

NOTE: Carriers included: AirCal, Alaska, Aloha, American, Braniff, Continental, Delta, Eastern, Federal Express, Flying Tiger, Frontier, Hawaiian, Northwest, Ozark, Pan American, Piedmont, PSA, Republic, Trans World, United, USAir and Western.

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AIR FREIGHT UP 12.4% IN MAY

WASHINGTON, D.C., June 25 — Air freight increased 12.4 percent in May, compared with May a year ago, and was up 11.1 percent in the first five months of this year for the 22 airlines reporting cargo data to the Air Transport Association, the ATA reported today.

Domestic air freight in May rose 10.1 percent. Mail registered a gain of 1.4 percent. Total domestic cargo, including freight and mail, increased 7.9 percent.

International air freight for U.S. carriers in May was up 15.5 percent. Mail declined by 1.9 percent, and total cargo rose 13.2 percent.

In the first five months of this year, domestic air freight had a gain of 7.4 percent. Mail rose 0.6 percent, and total cargo was up 5.7 percent.

The U.S. airlines international freight during the first five months of 1986 rose 16.1 percent. Mail was up 0.7 percent, and total cargo increased 14.0 percent.

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		DOMESTIC OPERATIONS			INTERNATIONAL OPERATIONS			TOTAL	TOTAL
		FREIGHT	MAIL	TOTAL	FREIGHT	MAIL	TOTAL	FREIGHT	CARGO
MAY	1986	318,061	99,874	417,935	252,113	33,565	285,678	570,174	703,613
MAY	1985	288,952	98,458	387,410	218,210	34,199	252,409	507,162	639,819
PERCENT CHANGE		10.1	1.4	7.9	15.5	(1.9)	13.2	12.4	10.0
5 MONTHS	1986	1,509,051	490,686	1,999,737	1,221,393	168,503	1,389,896	2,730,444	3,389,633
5 MONTHS	1985	1,404,525	487,962	1,892,487	1,052,233	167,365	1,219,598	2,456,758	3,112,085
PERCENT CHANGE		7.4	0.6	5.7	16.1	0.7	14.0	11.1	8.9

NOTE: Carriers included: AirCal, Alaska, Aloha, American, Braniff, Continental, Delta, Eastern, Federal Express, Flying Tiger, Frontier, Hawaiian, Northwest, Ozark, Pan American, Piedmont, PSA, Republic, Trans World, United, USAir and Western.

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